

## Licenses, Permits and Fees

### To Buy a License, Tag or Permit:

- In person, go to any Idaho Fish and Game office or license vendor throughout the state.
- By credit card, within the United States call 1-800-554-8685, 1-800-824-3729. Outside the U.S., use the Internet or mail. A service fee of \$5.50 plus 3% of the total sale is added for this transaction.
- On the Internet, go online to <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>. A service fee of \$3.50 plus 3% of the total sale is added for this transaction.
- Commercial licenses, duplicate tags, documents that require proof of disability, lifetime licenses, and bear baiting permits may purchased only at Fish and Game offices.

When buying licenses by telephone, the buyer, on request, will be assigned a validation number that may be used in lieu of the actual license for 14 days from the date of issue. When this number is used, the person must carry their driver's license or identification card. A validation number may not be used in lieu of a tag. Purchasers must wait until tags or permits arrive.

Any license, tag or permit that is defaced or altered is invalid from the date and time of issue. It is unlawful to use or attempt to use any license that has been defaced or altered.

**Sale Dates:** Licenses and tags go on sale December 1 of each year. All licenses are valid only for the calendar year for which they are issued.

### Hunter and Bowhunter Education

- To buy a hunting license, all hunters must show proof that they have completed a hunter education course if they were born on or after January 1, 1975, unless they have held a hunting license from Idaho or another state.
- To buy an archery permit, all bowhunters must show proof they have completed an approved bowhunter education course or show evidence of having been licensed for an archery-only hunt in Idaho or another state, or complete an affidavit to that effect.
- The Hunter Education Course includes 15-17 class hours plus a two- to four-hour range and live-fire exercise. The curriculum includes training in firearms safety, basic archery safety, hunting ethics, wildlife management, conservation, survival, regulations and a final written exam.
- The Bowhunter Education Course averages 12 class hours plus a field exercise. Subjects include bowhunting equipment, techniques, safety, shot placement, ethics, treestand safety, outdoor preparedness and the state final exam.

- Independent study courses include a Workbook Option and an Internet-based course for hunter education and internet-based course for bowhunter education as alternatives to the traditional classroom courses for students 10 years or older. There is a small additional cost for the Internet courses that is paid directly to the course provider. All independent study courses require the successful completion of an additional six- to seven-hour scheduled field day. Course and registration information can be found on the Hunter Education Program page of the Idaho Fish and Game website at [http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/cms/education/hunter\\_ed/](http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/cms/education/hunter_ed/) or obtained from a regional Fish and Game office. Individuals planning to participate in fall hunts are urged to register for a course early in the year and before June 30. **The number of classes and independent study course field days available becomes limited because of a decrease in instructor availability close to and during the hunting season.** Individuals with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations or obtain additional information by contacting the Fish and Game State Hunter Education Coordinator's office, 600 S. Walnut St. Boise, ID 83707, phone 208-334-3746, or through the Idaho Relay Service at 1-800-377-2529 (TDD) or email: [rfritz@idfg.idaho.gov](mailto:rfritz@idfg.idaho.gov).

**Your Social Security Number is Safe:** The 1998 Idaho Legislature required that all applicants for licenses issued by the state, including hunting or fishing licenses, tags and permits, must give their Social Security number for a license or permit to be issued. The Idaho Privacy Law protects your Social Security number. It is considered confidential, **will not** be printed on your license and **will not** be given to any private person or organization.

# Residency Requirements

**Residents and Nonresidents:** To buy hunting and fishing licenses with a VISA or MasterCard, call 1-800-55HUNT5, 1-800-824-3729 or go to the Fish and Game Website at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>, 24 hours a day. Residents must have an Idaho driver's license to verify residency. The information must be read exactly as it appears on the license. Most licenses will be valid for use immediately. Some tags and permits are also available from these sources. The charge for processing phone-in applications is 3 percent of the transaction plus \$5.50; the charge for Internet applications is 3 percent of the transaction plus \$3.50. Call 208-334-3700 for more information.

## **Resident:**

Proof of residency is required to buy any resident license. A resident is anyone who has lived in Idaho with the intent of making it their permanent residence, for at least six months immediately preceding the date of application for any license, tag or permit. A senior resident is anyone over 65 who has lived in the state at least five years immediately preceding the date of application for a senior license or tag.

A driver must prove residency with a valid Idaho driver's license. Nondrivers may use other suitable proof of residency, such as an Idaho Identification Card issued by the Department of Transportation, or two documents bearing his or her name and address, not issued by himself or herself, such as rent receipts or mortgage statements for the previous six months, home utility bills for the previous six months, a notarized statement from an employer on business letterhead, or proof of voter registration dated six months prior, or in the case of a child under 18, identification from a parent. A previous year's hunting, fishing or trapping license is not proof of residency.

A member of the military of the United States or of a foreign country, or a member of the Idaho National or Air National Guard, together with spouse and children under 18 residing in his or her household, on active duty and permanently stationed in Idaho for 30 days preceding application shall be eligible to buy a resident license, as long as such assignment continues

Idaho residents, who are in the U.S. military and maintain Idaho as their official state of residence, together with spouse and children under 18 residing in his or her household, shall be eligible to buy a resident license. The service person himself or herself is eligible to buy a furlough license from any vendor while on leave. Other permits and validations must be attached as required.

## **Nonresident:**

You are considered a nonresident if you:

- File income taxes as a resident in another state.
- File a homeowner's exemption in another state.
- Have a driver's license in another state.
- Register to vote in another state.

Owning real property or paying property taxes within the state of Idaho is not a qualification for residency. No one can claim Idaho resident privileges while claiming resident privileges in another state, except military personnel.

# License, Tag and Permit Fees

The amounts listed include all permits and application fees as of January 1, 2008. Fees may change without notice.  
Licenses, permits, validations and tags expire December 31.

## Idaho Residents

(See requirements on page 22)

### Adult licenses:

#### 18 years of age and older

Sportsman's Package*	\$117.25
Combination Hunting and Fishing	33.50
Disabled Combination	
SSI, SSDI, DAV	5.00
Military Leave Combination	17.50
Hunting	12.75
Fishing	25.75
Disabled Fishing	5.00
Military Leave Fishing	17.50
Trapping	26.75
Taxidermist/Furbuyer - 1 year	40.00
Taxidermist/Furbuyer - 5 years	176.75

#### Youth licenses 10 – 17 years

Sportsman's Package*	\$117.25
Junior Combination (14-17)	17.50
Junior Hunting (12-17)	7.25
Junior Fishing (14-17)	13.75
Youth Small Game Hunting (10-11)	7.25
Trapping	7.25

#### Senior license 65 years and older (5 years residency prior to license purchase required)

Combination, Hunting or Fishing	\$11.75
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### Permits and Validations

Archery Permit	\$18.25
Muzzleloader Permit	18.25
Hound Hunter Permit	12.75
Bear Baiting Permit	12.75
Wildlife Management Area Pheasant	\$23.75
Sage/Sharptail Grouse Permit	1.75
Migratory Bird Permit	1.75
Handicapped Archery Permit****	1.75
Handicapped Motor Vehicle Permit****	1.75
Salmon Permit	\$12.75
Steelhead Permit	12.75
Two-Pole Permit	13.75

## Adult Tags

Deer	\$19.75
Elk	30.75
Bear	11.50
Second Bear	11.50
Mountain Lion	11.50
Second Mountain Lion	11.50
General Turkey	19.75
Extra Turkey	12.25
Pronghorn	31.25
Moose, Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat (controlled hunt only, includes permit, tag and application fees)	180.75

### Youth, Senior, and DAV Tags\*\*

Deer**	\$10.75
Elk**	16.50
Bear**	6.75
Second Bear**	6.75
General Turkey***	10.75
Extra Turkey ***	10.75

### Controlled Hunts

Controlled Hunt Application	6.25
Controlled Hunt Permit	7.75

\* The sportsman's package includes deer, elk, turkey, bear and mountain lion tags, and archery, muzzleloader, salmon, and steelhead permits.

\*\* Must have a senior combination or hunting license, a Junior combination or hunting license, or a DAV license.

\*\*\* Must have a senior combination or hunting license, a Junior combination or hunting license, or a DAV license, or a Youth Small Game hunting license.

\*\*\*\* Available only at Idaho Fish and Game offices. Disability must be certified by a medical doctor on a Fish and Game form.

### Resident Lifetime License Certificates

Regardless of your age, purchase of a lifetime license could be the best investment you ever make. Lifetime combination hunting and fishing licenses authorize all privileges associated with a corresponding annual license. These licenses are valid for the lifetime of the license holder and are available to all residents of Idaho. If a lifetime certificate holder moves out of Idaho, they will continue to receive an annual license, but they will have to pay nonresident tag and permit fees.

The lifetime certificate does not include tags and permits. Lifetime certificates can be purchased at Idaho Fish and Game headquarters and regional offices.

Applicant Age	Combination	Hunting	Fishing
0 - 1 year	\$795.50	\$276.75	\$601.75
2 - 50 years	\$1,113.00	\$386.75	\$841.75
51 and older	\$636.75	\$221.75	\$481.75

**Note:** Commercial licenses, duplicate tags, lifetime license (renewal beginning second year of ownership), bear baiting permits, and bobcat and otter pelt tags (pelts are tagged at regional offices and the Hunter Education Center only) are available **only** at Idaho Fish and Game offices.

**For licenses not listed, please visit our web page at:**  
<http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>

### Nonresident

(See requirement page 22)

Combination Hunting & Fishing	\$199.75
Hunting	141.50
Small Game Hunting (Not valid for the first 5 days of pheasant season. Valid for upland & migratory game birds, turkeys, cottontail, snowshoe hare, <b>huntingable furbearers and unprotected and predatory birds and animals</b> )	81.75
Nongame Hunting (valid January to August)	29.25
Shooting Preserve Hunting	12.75
Season Fishing	82.00
Daily Fishing (first day)	11.50
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase add	5.00
Three-day Salmon/Steelhead (includes three-day general fishing license)	31.50
Trapping****(expires June 30)	251.50
Taxidermist/Furbuyer**** (expires June 30)	140.75
<b>Junior Mentored &amp; Youth Licenses</b>	
Junior Mentored Hunting* (12-17)	7.25
Youth Small Game Hunting* (10-11)	7.25
Junior Fishing (under 18)	13.75
Daily Fishing (first day)	11.50
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase add	5.00
Three-day Salmon/Steelhead (includes three-day general fishing license)	31.50
<b>Permits and Validations</b>	
Archery Permit	\$18.25

Muzzleloader Permit	18.25
Hound Hunter Permit ****	101.75
Bear Baiting Permit ****	12.75
Wildlife Management Area Pheasant	23.75
Sage/Sharptail Grouse Permit	1.75
Migratory Bird Permit	1.75
Handicapped Archery Permit****	1.75
Handicapped Motor Vehicle Permit****	1.75
Salmon Permit	12.75
Steelhead Permit	12.75
Two-Pole Permit	13.75

### Adult Tags

Deer (Regular or White-tailed)	\$258.50
Elk	372.50
Bear	151.75
Reduced Bear	31.75
Second Bear	31.75
Mountain Lion	151.75
Reduced Mountain Lion	31.75
Second Mountain Lion	31.75
Turkey	67.50
Extra Turkey	67.50
Pronghorn	258.50
Moose, Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat (Controlled hunt only, includes permit, tag, and application fees)	\$1,765.75

### Junior Mentored Tags\*\*

Deer (Regular, White-tailed)**	\$10.75
Elk**	16.50
Bear**	6.75
Second Bear**	6.75
Turkey***	10.75
Extra Turkey***	10.75

### Controlled Hunt

Controlled Hunt Application	\$6.25
Controlled Hunt Permit	7.75

## Notes:

\* Anyone hunting with this license must be accompanied in the field by an adult license holder close enough to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices.

\*\* Must have a Junior Mentored hunting license. The accompanying adult must have a tag(s) for the same species, valid in the same area(s). The junior mentored deer tags are not valid for bear or mountain lion. Price not valid for leftover nonresident deer or elk tags purchased as second tags.

\*\*\* Must have a Junior Mentored hunting license or a Youth Small Game hunting license.

\*\*\*\* These licenses and permits are only available at Idaho Fish and Game offices. Disability must be certified by a medical doctor on a Fish and Game form.

**Note:** Nonresident lifetime license holders must buy tags at Fish and Game offices if nonresident deer and elk tags are sold out.

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## Super Hunt

Super Hunt 1 chance .....	\$6.25
Super Hunt 6 chances .....	24.95
Super Hunt 13 chances .....	49.95
Super Hunt Combo 1 chance .....	19.95
Super Hunt Combo 6 chances .....	99.95
Super Hunt Combo 13 chances .....	199.95

*Wildlife Violator Compact (WVC): Many states including Idaho have entered into a "Wildlife Violator Compact." If your hunting, fishing, or trapping license is revoked by any of the member states, all the remaining states will revoke the same license or privilege for the same time period. In addition, any nonresident who does not satisfy the requirements of an Idaho citation will have his/her hunting and fishing license revoked in their home state until those requirements are satisfied. For more information on the WVC and a complete list of member states, go to <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/cms/about/enforcement/violator.cfm>*

*Idaho Fish and Game adheres to all applicable state and federal laws and regulations related to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, gender, disability or veteran's status. If you feel you have been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility of Idaho Fish and Game, or if you desire further information, please write to: Idaho Department of Fish and Game, P.O. Box 25, Boise, ID 83707 or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Federal Assistance, Mailstop: MBSP-4020, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203, Telephone: (703) 358-2156. This publication will be made available in alternative formats upon request. Please contact the Department of Fish and Game for assistance.*

Information in this brochure summarizes the rules and is the official proclamation of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission for the taking of waterfowl from September 2008 through January 2009. The official rules are available from the Office of Administrative Rules, Department of Administration, Statehouse Mail, Boise, ID 83720, and may be reviewed in some libraries. Maps are for general reference only.

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